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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dear DOJ,

Microsoft has done more than any other company to grow the computer industry. Before Microsoft computers were marketed to large institutions. Microsoft has brought the computer into homes world wide. They have done this by making computers easy to use for the general population and marketing products that we want. Microsoft has done their homework and they have received an A+. This is not according to me but according to the consumers who have purchased their products.

For the good of the industry, settle the lawsuit and allow the computer market to grow again. When Microsoft starts making products that the public doesn't want or makes products that don't work, the market will run from Microsoft. When other companies start making better products than Microsoft, the market will run to them. IBM was once the computer leader but they didn't have the vision or the product line that the general public wanted. Today, Dell is capturing the market share of the the PC market. Dell is getting it by making an affordable, reliable product. Microsoft has done the same thing, they created a good product and made it affordable. They need to take their lumps but let the market give it to them.

Settle the lawsuit.

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